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GENERAL NEWS.

Bend, Crook county, has voted to incorporate. W. E. Goodwillie is the first mayor.

J. Pierpont Morgan has paid \$5000 for the first piano made. It was made in 1708.

Vermont now has a state tuberculosis commission, paid out of the state treasury.

Dr. William A. Evans, of Chicago, in an address before the Graduate Nurses' association, stated that there are 3000 cases of tuberculosis in Chicago.

Farmers in 26 Texas counties are holding 585,000 bales of cotton for higher prices. These counties produce nearly 75 per cent of the Texas crop.

From spring ponds on Pocono mountain, Pennsylvania, is annually cut 800,000 tons of ice, nearly all of which is disposed of in New York and Philadelphia.

Thomas Jones died suddenly at Prineville December 19, aged 89. He was a veteran of the Mexican war, the Platte war of 1855, the Civil war and the Modoc war.

A lateral railroad is to be built from the Crow's Nest branch of the Canadian Pacific to Golden, thus uniting the Great Northern with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Two million bricks will be used in the new Rockefeller building in Cleveland; 40,000 square feet of glass will be put into windows and the steel alone will cost \$130,000.

NORTHWEST NEWS.

Clarence Bouldin, a Cuban wrestler, will have a contest during the winter with "Two Feathers," at Seattle.

"Grandma" Edwards, 78 years of age, dropped dead at Harrington, Wash., while laughing heartily at a joke.

Mrs. S. Flowers carelessly stepped in front of a Northern Pacific train at Winlock, Wash., was run down and killed.

Richard Hayden cut his throat at Seattle while lying in bed. He used a razor. He is said to have retired in good health and spirits.

The fire chief of Astoria feels it incumbent upon him to take, and advise others to take, especial precautions against fire during the holidays.

F. J. Schroeder, a well known Northern Pacific brakeman, while playing the piano at his boarding house in Ellensburg, Wash., fell over dead.

Mrs. Louis C. Beck offers to sell to the Seattle park board for park purposes, Ravens Park, for \$125,000. The price is regarded as reasonable, but the city is hardly able to afford the investment at this time.

An effort is being made to build a Y. M. C. A. hall at Corvallis, by the members of that organization who are students of the Agricultural College. They are planning a \$10,000 building and have \$2000 in hand.

Protests are going in to the president about the government charge for dockage at Bremerton. It is 10 cents per ton, while at the Dominion port of Esquimaux, near, but across the line, it is three cents per ton.

The Washington State Federation of Labor is going to maintain a large and active lobby at Olympia this winter and politicians who have made promises to union leaders in return for pre-election support will find it very embarrassing to turn any flip-tops at the critical hour.

There are but very few desirable vacant lots left in the residence portion of Pendleton. Those we have just listed and the prices are very reasonable.

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PREMIUM ESSAY BY MISS
SOPHIA RABINOVITZ.

Was Selected as Somewhat the Best Among Seventy Descriptive Letters Submitted by Students of St. Joseph's Academy, Pendleton—Pendleton Academy Will Be the Next Institution to Respond to Supt. Welles' Request.

County School Superintendent F. K. Welles has received the first return from his recent request to the teachers to have their pupils write letters to their friends in the East telling them of the advantages of Oregon and of its matchless resources. St. Joseph's academy is the first to respond. The Pendleton academy also took up the plan of writing letters on December 20.

At St. Joseph's academy 70 letters were sent to friends of the pupils residing in the East. Of the 70 one of the best was selected and sent to Superintendent Welles. As it is the first response to come in from his request, we take pleasure in reproducing it herewith, and in commending to the consideration of all those who have friends in the East this plan of personal communication. It would not be a bad idea to take this copy of the East Oregonian and mark the article and send it to some Eastern acquaintance or friend.

St. Joseph's Academy,
Pendleton, Ore., Dec. 20, 1904.
Miss Edna Swartz,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Friend:—Now that the time is approaching for the opening of the great Lewis and Clark fair, it affords a grand opportunity for the people of the East to visit our state. Those who come will soon be convinced that Oregon is one of the most progressive states of the Union, and thoroughly up-to-date in every particular.

We, the people of Oregon, (and in fact, all the people of the Union), owe thanks for this beautiful place to three men: President Thomas Jefferson, Mr. Meriwether Lewis and Mr. William Clark. President Jefferson, before his administration, proposed an exploration of the land beyond the Missouri for an overland passage to the Pacific ocean. This proposition, known as his "pet plan," was made little of until 11 years later. When, at last, it was decided to make the exploration, Mr. Meriwether Lewis, captain of the U. S. army, was in account of his firmness of purpose and undaunted courage, chosen to take charge of the exploring party. Lieut. William Clark of the U. S. army, was appointed captain, and with about a dozen men, and plenty of provisions, the two explorers set out on their journey. They embarked on May 14, 1804. After a perilous journey they reached what is now Oregon, in the latter part of August, 1805.

The scene which here met their gaze was a magnificent stretch of primeval wilderness. Great herds of bison and horses were seen, tearing across the prairies. The rivers teemed with fish and there were all manner of wild fowl in abundance. About three months later the explorers reached that which they sought—the Pacific coast. There was a great dispute as to the ownership of the Oregon territory, and the United States claimed it by right of exploration. It is not known from what our state received its name, but various opinions are given.

One hundred years ago Oregon could truly be spoken of as the "wild West." There were great forests of pine, fir, spruce, alder, cottonwood, oak and maple; broad expanses of rich prairie land; much wild game and fish; and every convenience for prospering towns, yet no civilized people to make use of these gifts of Providence. The Indians, as wild as the country itself, were certainly well suited to their forest home; but it lay in the hands of the white man to make our state what it is today.

Its cities and towns are coming rapidly into prominence and transcontinental railroads connect them with the largest cities of the Union. Schools and churches are to be found in all parts of the state. Our beautiful homes are unsurpassed; especially the country homes. Leaving the noise and tumult of the city and its impure atmosphere, one finds relief in the fresh, invigorating air of the country. It is true we have very few hospitals, as compared to the eastern states. The few we have are first-class, but our best and grandest hospitals are the woods, the fields and the fresh air. The industries, too, are making great strides in the field of progress. The principal industries of the state are wheat, fruit and sheep raising, and salmon fishing. Many an industrious farmer has become wealthy by raising wheat on our extensive plains. There is mild weather, fertile soil, good irrigation, and everything that is necessary for a good crop.

Our mild winter is due to the warm wind, or "Chinook," which passes over the Japan current and blows inland. The great Columbia river, noted for its salmon fisheries, is one of the most picturesque features of the state. No artificial scenery of the East can be compared to the beautiful pictures which Nature has painted on either side of this river and its branches. Another beauty is the snow-capped mountains that can be seen from any part of the state. These mountains afford us healthful summer resorts. There is still much good land here that needs improvement, and we extend an invitation to all our friends in the East to come and make their homes in our beautiful country.

The Lewis and Clark centennial is to be held in Portland, the metropolis of the state. The exhibit grounds are at the north end of the city, on the Willamette river. Not only the ex-

hibition grounds, but the city of Portland itself, has many attractions to the visitor, as has also the surrounding country. The fair begins June 1 and closes October 15. We wish you and all your friends to be here and we promise you a pleasant visit.

Under separate cover I am sending you a map of Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho; and an illustrated book describing these states; also pamphlets describing the fair and grounds. Hoping to see you here, I remain

Your sincere friend,
SOPHIE RABINOVITZ.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Hotel St. George.

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The Pendleton.

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M. H. Patton, Spokane.
B. R. Howard, Spokane.
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M. McRoberts, Spokane.
W. G. Arter, Portland.
A. E. Hunter, Portland.
Mrs. Mary Ayer, Heppner.
A. D. Robbins and wife, Belmont.
W. S. Freed.
J. E. P. Ford, Idaho.
Frederick H. Strong, Portland.

W. M. Stevenson and wife and Mrs. Willora Barrett were burned to death in the Stevenson home near Monticello, Ark. It is supposed to be a case of murder and arson to conceal robbery.

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